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Councils to fight rent hike plan

THE royal borough has joined forces with seven other councils to challenge a decision by the London Mayor which could force up social rents.

Together the London authorities are mounting a legal challenge against the Mayor of London's decision on affordable rent levels.

At the moment local councils can negotiate affordable rent levels with developers themselves. The Mayor's proposal - part of his London Plan - would remove this power allowing him to impose rents on affordable homes of up to 80 per cent of the market value.

Until now, London councils have set social housing rent levels at what they believe are affordable rates - typically around 30-40 per cent of market levels. The royal borough and the other seven boroughs are launching the challenge because they feel local residents, vulnerable people and families on low and middle incomes will be priced out of large areas of London.

The eight councils which include Brent, Camden, Hackney, Islington, Lambeth, Southwark and Tower Hamlets have told the London Mayor they intend to launch a judicial review into the decision.

Councillor Chris Roberts, royal borough leader said: "How anyone can argue that 80 per cent of market rates in London is affordable to most ordinary families is ludicrous. Should this decision stand it could have extremely serious implications for the social make-up of London as a whole. This is about protecting our residents and ensuring they can continue to have access to homes they can realistically afford"



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ROYAL BOROUGH MEETINGS

The following meetings take place at the Town Hall, Wellington Street, unless stated otherwise.

Sept 25 - Safer & Stronger Communities scrutiny panel, 7pm; Woolwich Riverside Local Housing Panel, 7pm

Sept 26 - Highways Committee, 7pm

More information on 020 8921 5130 or at www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/meetings

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RICHARD GILPIN: 'This shot taken in Greenwich Park captures the essence of autumn.'

LETTERS

Write to: GT Letters, Communications Team, Woolwich Centre, Wellington Street, SE18 6HQ or email greenwich.time@royalgreenwich.gov.uk
We reserve the right to edit any letters received.

Discourage such selfish parking

I LIVE off Brookhill Road where I have a parking space in the middle of three. Since the council made the lower end of Brookhill Road permit parking the upper end of the road is clogged with people parking wherever they can find a spot. Nearly every week one or two vehicles - both cars and vans - will park with part of the vehicle over the dropped curb which I believe is illegal. This, compounded with the increased

parking on the road sometimes makes it difficult to access the car park or reversely get out onto the road. I do not recall ever seeing parking enforcement officers at this end of the street but would ask that they make regular visits. Would it be possible to have double yellow lines painted in front of the three entrances to Brookhill Mews to help discourage such selfish parking?

Matt Lester, Woolwich

● **THANKS** for alerting us to this issue. The enforcement team has been made aware of the issues you have raised regarding illegal parking, and the highways department will look into your request for double yellow lines. If a vehicle is parked over the dropped kerb you can call the council's Contact Centre on 0208 921 4339 and they will raise a Request to Enforce with the enforcement team who will visit the location as soon as possible.

Park path is perfect



I WOULD like to thank the Royal Borough of Greenwich for installing a footpath at Avery Hill Park in Eltham. As a wheelchair user it makes a big difference to my quality of life as I can be in the open air - and I go to the park every day with my dog Piggs. It can get very bad in the winter and the new path makes a big difference. Thanks also to MP Clive Efford for his contribution as well.

John Nettlefield, 70, New Eltham.

● **THANKS** for your letter John, the royal borough is committed to ensuring that its parks are accessible to all members of the community wherever possible and it is excellent to hear that the footpath at Avery Hill has had a positive impact on your enjoyment of the park.

Don't dunk our deep water aerobics class

PEOPLE who use the Eltham Centre wish to know why the Friday deep water aerobics class is being close at the end of the month?

It's the only deep water aerobics class left in the borough, all others have been closed. The time - 12-30 till 1-30 - fitted in with the school day and it's a very suitable class for people who need gentle exercise on their joints - it particularly helps people suffering with Arthritis or Rheumatism. I was recovering from a broken leg, so I could exercise without any damage to the healing when other forms of exercise were not possible. The numbers attending have fell over the school holidays because mums and nans were looking after the children, but there was

good attendance this week due to school restarting and this will continue.

The government wants people to do more exercise, so why is this borough not helping the older generation who really enjoy this class? It makes a difference to their fitness, we pay for this class it's not a freebie, so please have a change of heart help our hearts

to be healthy and reinstate this class.

Mrs Vera Williams New Eltham

● **SORRY if you have been misinformed. The deep water work out class at Eltham Centre has not been cancelled. Class numbers are being monitored due to low take up over the summer but we hope that the numbers will return to a positive level by the end of September.**

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Some Plum fun

LET'S PARTY: Dancers led set up the carnival atmosphere

Carnival atmosphere shows off depth of spirit among a diverse community



CARNIVAL came to the streets of Plumstead when residents organised a day of fun and thrills designed to bring the community together.

Colourful dancers entertained crowds as a carnival procession made its way through the Barnfield Estate.

There was also a talent show and visitors were offered free health checks.

A film created by and starring residents, called 'The Hard Way', was screened.

The event was organized by the Friends of Barnfield Residents' Committee, launched three years ago to boost community cohesion.

Cllr Angela Cornforth, the Mayor of Royal Greenwich and one of the visitors, said: "There is a real commitment among the people here.

"I'd like to congratulate residents of the estate on the hard work, spirit and commitment they've shown in improving their local area in this way."

Rahman Famuditiimi, chair of the Friends, said: "It was a great day and everything is owed to the resilient efforts of members of our local community. Since we've been working together we have seen a greater level of community spirit. Barnfield has one of the most vibrant and diverse communities in the country and the residents' achievements here have established the estate as a national leader when it comes to community engagement."

WE'VE GOT TALENT: The event featured a talent show (above left) and there was a procession through the streets of the Barnfield Estate



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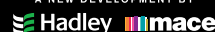


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Chief takes long walk for charity

KATE Heaps, the chief executive of the Greenwich & Bexley Community Hospice, completed a gruelling 100km Thames Path Challenge recently to raise money for the charity.

She finished in just less than 28 hours, raising £950 so far with a target of £1,000. Anyone wishing to make a donation can visit www.virginmoneygiving.com/KateHeaps100kmThamesPath.

School's 200th

ELTHAM Church of England School is marking its 200th anniversary with a series of celebrations.

On Thursday (September 26) the Bishop of Woolwich, the Rt Revd Dr Michael Ipgrave, will lead a service of thanksgiving recognising the decision to establish a school for the children of Eltham.

Library's times

AN advert on p25 of last week's edition included some incorrect information about the name and opening times of a local library.

The library advertised is Slade Library, not to be confused with the Slade Green Library in Bexleyheath, as published. We would also like to point out that the opening times for Thursday are 9am to 7pm, Friday 2pm to 5.30pm and Slade Library does not close for lunch. Visit better.org.uk for the full list. Apologies for any confusion caused.

Heating plan for Peninsula gets first-stage approval

Eco plant go ahead

by Dick Townsend-Smith

EARLY plans for a new low-carbon energy centre that will generate heat and hot water for thousands of homes and businesses on Greenwich Peninsula have been given the go-ahead.

The royal borough's planning board agreed the scheme last week, although they are still subject to the Mayor of London's approval.

The innovative community heating system is seen as the most cost effective and energy efficient way of producing energy for a development as large as the peninsula.

The plans also include a visitors' centre, offices and car parking spaces.

The centre will provide hot water and

heating via a gas-fired combined heat and power (CHP) plant, supplemented by gas-fired boilers.

The gas fired boilers are proposed to meet peak periods of demand for energy, as well as provide back-up plant. There's room to expand with up to two more CHP

// It will use innovative and cutting-edge technology //

units and up to seven boilers if needed.

If detailed planning permission is agreed, the centre could be operational by December 2015.

The site for the energy centre is bordered by Millennium Way, Blackwall

Lane and Dreadnought Street. Recently it has been used to stockpile building materials, but is now vacant.

The community power station is the latest development in the peninsula masterplan, said to be the biggest regeneration project in Europe.

The scheme is attracting more than £5bn in investment creating more than 10,000 homes and six million sq ft of retail and business space along with new schools and health centres and 48 acres of open space.

A council spokesperson said: "This project will be an important contribution to our plans for the redevelopment of the Greenwich Peninsula."

"It will use innovative and cutting-edge technology to provide energy in a cost-efficient way at a time when residents and businesses find this is taking an ever-increasing proportion of their budgets."



COST EFFICIENT: The new site, which includes a visitor centre



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REVAMPED: A pedestrian view of Lovibond Lane

Prime position

New homes in £110m development go on sale

NEWLY-BUILT homes are now available to local people in West Greenwich in the next stage of the area's full scale regeneration.

They include 34 affordable homes that give people the chance to get on the first rung of the home-owning ladder.

They're among 181 one, two and three-bedroom apartments for sale in Prime Place on the former industrial site behind Greenwich DLR station.

The new homes are a key part of a 2.2 acre development called The Movement that will bring new life and new

jobs to the area. The £110m project also includes a health and fitness club, a business hotel, and a 358-bed student village.

Eleven new business units are also being built in partnership with the Greenwich Enterprise Board, and there'll be over 400 cycle storage spaces for DLR commuters as well as a café.

The new buildings will be set in a pedestrian boulevard called Lovibond Lane, after the brewery once based nearby.

West Greenwich Community Centre is also being revamped,

with an extra 2,000 square feet of floor space, increasing its capacity by 250 people.

Work is due to start next month on a 104-bedroom Travelodge as part of The Movement development.

Prime Place is being built by developers Wilmott Dixon.

Managing director Brian Brady said: "Prime Place represents an exciting milestone in our expansion into the London market."

"Currently, we are the only development in the borough offering Help to Buy, providing an affordable route onto the property

ladder for those keen to live in Greenwich."

The royal borough has played a key role in the design of The Movement.

It is being funded by the Cathedral Group and Development Securities plc. Planners estimate it will generate around £275 million for the local economy over the next 10 years.

Cllr Chris Roberts, leader of the royal borough, said: "This exciting development is providing much-needed new homes, and will create many new jobs and bring valuable investment to the area."

Extra care warning issued for firefighters' strike

PEOPLE in the borough are being urged to take extra care during the firefighters' strike tomorrow afternoon (Wednesday, September 25).

There will be a heavily-reduced fire-fighting service for four hours, between 12 noon and 4pm.

Andrew Rickard, the brigade's borough commander for Greenwich, said: "Our plans were tried and tested during the industrial action taken by the London FBU in October and November 2010 and they will mean that every area of London has fire cover. We will still

attend emergencies but the contingency service is not intended to match the brigade's normal day to day cover so it is important that people take extra care, have working smoke alarms and follow our fire safety tips available at www.london-fire.gov.uk"

The brigade has a legal duty to provide contingency cover if a strike happens. London normally has 169 fire engines across the capital.

While the contingency firefighters will attend confirmed fires, they will not be taking part in animal rescues, freeing

people trapped in lifts, or dealing with automatic fire alarms call-outs. They have been trained by the London Fire Brigade, but do not normally work as firefighters.

The Fire Brigades Union is striking over a dispute with the government over pensions.

Royal borough leader Chris Roberts said: "The council would encourage everyone to be extra vigilant during this time and we would urge residents living in blocks of flats to ensure that communal areas are kept clear."

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Closing date: Thursday October 17th 2013
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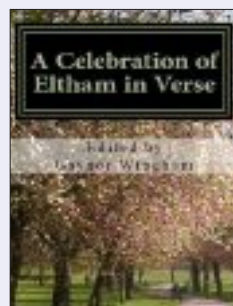
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(Interviews 2 October 2013)

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Eltham celebrated in a book of verse

THE book launch for A Celebration of Eltham in Verse will take place at the Eltham Centre on October 1. The anthology, edited by Gaynor Wingham, contains more than 60 poems by both children and adults. The entries all come from a community poetry competition and the book is also packed with photos from Eltham.

The launch, which comes ahead of National Poetry Day on October 3, will include some of the poets themselves.

● More information can be found at www.forwardartsfoundation.org

Forum for patients officially launched



VOICE OF THE PEOPLE: Cllr John Fahy, centre, with the Healthwatch team

PATIENTS and residents attended the launch of a new independent health and social care service set up to give patients a voice.

The event marked the launch of Healthwatch Greenwich, set up to provide a platform for the public to have their opinions, concerns and praises heard and addressed.

Manager Rosaline Mitchell, Greenwich, said: "We will analyse concerns and take them to the relevant service providers and take necessary action for everyone."

Leceia Gordon-Mackenzie, chair of Healthwatch Greenwich said: "We should be utilised by the government and used by the public, we are the convoy for their concerns and we can go to meetings and voice the opinion on the ground."

Councillor John Fahy, the royal borough's cabinet member for health, adults and social care, said: "I wish Greenwich Healthwatch a successful beginning in what are very challenging times, we recognise that we are in a transitional period where health is concerned and we are presented with new challenges but also new opportunities. I see Healthwatch as a beacon of hope for the community."

● More information on the services Healthwatch Greenwich provides at www.healthwatchgreenwich.co.uk

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE LICENSING ACT 2003

Notice is given that the COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT, ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH, 3RD FLOOR, THE WOOLWICH CENTRE, 35 WELLINGTON STREET, LONDON SE18 6HQ, has applied for the Grant of a Premises Licence for the "Eltham Lights Up" Festival Event, as follows:

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A record of this application may be inspected by appointment.

Other persons may make representations to the Council on this application by no later than Wednesday 16th October 2013. Representations can be made in writing, by e-mail or fax to Licensing Team, 4th Floor, Woolwich Centre, 35 Wellington Street, London SE18 6HQ. Tel: 020 8921 8018; Fax: 020 8921 8380; Email: licensing@greenwich.gov.uk. Representations can only be made on the grounds of one of the four licensing objectives, namely:

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ON TRACK: computer graphics show the new station entrance off Harrow Manorway and an aerial view of the new station from the south

Groovy train

Borough planners approve Abbey Wood Crossrail station design

by Dick Townsend-Smith

THE new Crossrail station at Abbey Wood has been given the go-ahead by the council's planning committee.

Councillors voted unanimously for the scheme, which will link south-east London with central London and beyond, when they met last Monday (September 16).

The only condition they set was that they want to be able to see and approve details of the facing materials and finishes on all the buildings within six months of building work starting.

The plans also have to be agreed by the neighbouring borough of Bexley because the building work crosses the borough boundary.

Once agreed the new station is set to open in 2017 and be built above two new dedicated Crossrail tracks and those used by North Kent services.

The station design is one of the most impressive on the entire route and includes a spacious concourse leading directly onto a wide forecourt connecting the station to the Harrow Manorway dual carriageway above the present station.

There will be two new 'island' platforms for Crossrail and North Kent services, plus six lifts to help passengers get around the station and provide step-free access to every platform.

The existing station is due to be demolished and replaced by a temporary station by summer 2014, which will be located in the current station car park. Two tracks for Crossrail services will be installed next to the existing North Kent

lines and work will be carried out to raise and lengthen a number of bridges along the track so they can accommodate the overhead electric wires that will be used by Crossrail trains. The work will be carried out by Network Rail, which is responsible for the delivery of the parts of Crossrail that are on the existing network.

Once complete, Crossrail will provide a vital link giving local people direct access to London and the west as far as Heathrow and Maidenhead, with 12 trains an hour from south east London.

From 2018 there will be a train every five minutes during peak hours allowing residents to travel right through the capital without having to change trains.

The journey from Abbey Wood to Canary Wharf and Bond Street will be around 20 minutes quicker and passengers travelling to Heathrow will be able to shave around 40 minutes off their journey. The number of passengers using the station is predicted to almost treble within the next 15 years.

Cllr Chris Roberts, leader of the council, said: "Bringing Crossrail to Abbey Wood is incredibly exciting for the area and we look forward to seeing the new station there take shape. It will bring huge improvements to how that part of the borough is connected to the rest of London and with that brings major potential for economic growth. With a Crossrail station also coming to Woolwich we are seeing Royal Greenwich getting a fully integrated transport system that will open up South East London and maximise our potential".

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A mean vintage

Classic cars and bikes prove popular at monthly event

by Ian Lamont

DOZENS of classic cars and bikes will be back at Greenwich Market on Thursday (September 26) for the latest Park It In The Market event.

For the past three months, cars as old as a BSA Scout from the 1930s to bubble cars and American classics have rocked up at the market courtesy of a new club, The Mean Old Timers.

The club's title combines the European tradition of naming groups Old Timers with a play on Greenwich's association with time, said Dave Webster, who founded it with other vintage car enthusiasts.

They wanted to celebrate vehicles that pre-date 1990 and stage the event at Greenwich market on the last Thursday of each month.

"It's proving to be quite popular," said Webster. "Even when we've had a wet night it has been a great evening, with grandparents reminiscing over the cars and a great event for all the family."

"There are young people coming into the hobby of vintage cars," said Webster, who formed the club with Johnny Rocket from the jewellers and the market manager, Ben Niblett.

"We're all into old classic cars and bikes and we thought it would be nice to do something in Greenwich."

"We're trying to encourage people to join our club."

"We're going to try to organise a few runs and we want people to join so they get preferential entry, rather than people who just turn up with a vehicle on the day."

The space is big enough for 40 cars plus as many bikes and there will be live music from Ronnie Ripple and the Ripcords, a local band, and entertainment from the Hula Hoop girls, with market traders also offering their products as well as vintage stalls.

Food on the night will include the Thai Kitchen and Jamie's Sausages.

Webster does not want the club to become one which specialises in one model of car and celebrates the diversity that has appeared so far.

He added: "We've had bubble cars, really expensive Jaguars, XK sports cars, Zeffas, exotic Italian Alfas, Humbers - you don't know what is going to turn up."

"That's what is quite nice, it's been pretty different each time."

Thursday's event starts at 7pm and will be asking for donations to Macmillan in support of the cancer charity's coffee morning fundraiser.

● **A camper van acts as the group's mobile headquarters at the event for more information, which can also be found at www.shopgreenwich.co.uk/events/park-it-market**



STANDING BY: Nurse Metro at the starting line of the race which was started by Greenwich Mayor Angela Cornforth

Drag race raises £2k for Metro outreach

MORE than £2,000 was raised by the Metro's eighth annual race between drag queens and kings.

It began at the The Prince of Greenwich pub, was started by the mayor, Cllr Angela Cornforth.

Drag queen Phillipa won the event for the second year running, having beaten rivals around the course which took in a circular route around Hyde Vale, across King George Street and back up Point Hill to rejoin the main crowds outside the pub.

Funds raised go towards Metro's work providing health, community and youth services in Greenwich.

Greenwich Healthy Businesses Network Launch Event

Managing Mental Health at Work

Tuesday 8th October from 9.15am
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If you are an employer in Greenwich wanting to get the most from your staff then this event is for you.

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- Learn about best practice for managing mental health at work and creating a work environment to maximise employee wellbeing
- Find out about local support agencies
- Find out more about the support available for you to achieve the London Healthy Workplace Charter
- Attend an optional, free-afternoon mental health training session

Speakers include:

Royal Borough of Greenwich – Manager, Environmental Health Mike Strong

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Greenwich Mind: Chief Executive, Ross Milne

'Support on offer for local businesses'

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Friday the 13th memorial for Roald Dahl

YOUNGSTERS enjoyed a fun afternoon to celebrate the birthday of much-loved children's author on Friday the 13th. There was storytelling, fun activities and games in memory of Roald Dahl at the Greenwich Shopping Park in Bugsby's Way, Charlton.

It was the Welsh-born author's birthday and visitors to the WH Smith store celebrated his works which include dozens of children's novels.

The highlight of the afternoon was a spooky Friday the 13th themed book reading of Roald Dahl's spine-tingling yet funny story, *The Witches*, as well as extracts from Dahl's *Revolting Rhymes*.

Register your Black History Month events

GROUPS and organisations which are hosting events for Black History Month can have them listed on the royal borough website.

Simply follow the link below to submit details of the event.

Please ensure that you include the words 'Black History Month' in the event title so that the events can be clearly identified.

● Submit your events online at www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/event/new

Sad sign of our

Historic road sign stolen from Arsenal housing estate

by Dick Townsend-Smith

AN historic iron road sign has been stolen from the Progress Estate in Eltham – and the residents want it back.

The estate was built in 1915 to house extra workers the Woolwich Arsenal needed to manufacture armaments for the First World War.

But the sign, which was put up to help residents and visitors find their way to other roads around the estate, has disappeared.

Keith Billingham, from the estate's residents' association, said: "There is every probability the cast-iron was installed when our estate was built. Even if it was erected at a later date it is certainly very old."

"The sign was removed from its posts quite carefully. It's been suggested that it was



taken for its scrap value. We suppose the other two possibilities are that it was stolen by or on behalf of a collector or as a prank."

He added: "Realistically, we expect there are only two hopes for recovery. The first is that someone contacts us to report the sign's

whereabouts. The second is that the thief, having realised it is unique, has dumped it and a member of the public spots it and informs us."



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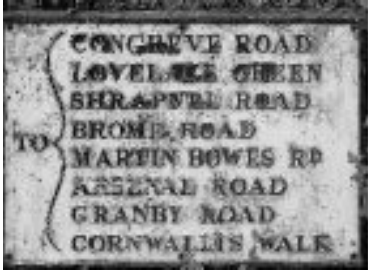
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● Anyone with information on the missing sign should email TheProgressEstate@Gmail.com or call 020 8856 5593 or 07962 877389.

● The residents' association is planning to stop delivering paper copies of its quarterly

newsletter 'Making Progress'. But nearly a third of homes have signed up for an online version. Association chair Rita Billingham said:

"So far about 195 people have signed up. Fifty-five per cent of homes use the internet for reading or downloading news so our initial target is to have a list 700. We are very pleased to have

achieved nearly 30 per cent of this within three months. Anyone who would like to be added to our list simply needs to send an email to TheProgressEstate@Gmail.com with their name and address."

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Special week of support for carers

CARERS can get help and information from borough libraries during a set of events which started yesterday ((September 23).

All the borough's main libraries will be stocking a collection of 16 books that deal with different aspects of being a carer. They include people's personal experiences, as well as general and specific advice about caring for someone who has a mental illness, suffered a stroke, or has other disabilities. There is also information about caring for someone who is terminally ill, and helpful reading material for young carers.

The week's initiative is designed to help carers who might be feeling isolated, or who need more information. People are also being encouraged to make use of the borough's Library at Home service. It is designed for people who are housebound or have difficulty getting out, or who have a disability or long-term illness.

They can go online, or phone a special number, and tell the person at the other end what type of books they like. A suitable selection will then be brought to their home,

which they can keep for up to five weeks before they are collected.

The service is provided free and people can borrow up to 16 items if they live at home or for ten weeks in residential care.

Home Services librarians are always happy to chat about people's favourite books, music and films and will always try to take people the things they like best. They include a wide range of books in standard and large print, books in many different languages, talking books on CD or cassette, videos and DVDs, music CDs and jigsaw puzzles. The service can also arrange visits from the mobile library.

● For more information about the Home Library Service call 020 8319 5875 or email Greenwich.libraries@gll.org The libraries will also be handing out bookmarks publicising the council's carers' assessment scheme. This can lead to further support for carers and a financial payment. For more information call 020 8921 2304.

● More information for carers is available on www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/carers

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DICK TOWNSEND-SMITH talks to students and teachers who are s

All together

STUDENTS at Plumstead Manor Secondary School have been singing the praises of their new sixth form centre, which opened at the start of the new term.

They have spent the last three years based off site at temporary buildings in Wickham Lane during the work.

The new, mixed sixth form will take up to 600 students – with more girls than boys so far, but boys are welcomed just as warmly. The centre, called the Lerner building, has cutting edge IT equipment and a students' café.

It offers a choice of 30 courses, and results are above the national average, enabling students to go on to study at university, get apprenticeships or go straight into employment.

Second year sixth former Jenny Cao, 17, said: "Being on the main site again has the advantage of having more people here to help with your studies. It's a great school, and the support you get here is very good."

Another second year, Connor Gay, 17, said: "It's good to be all together as one school again. Before, I had a 20-minute walk each time I needed to go to Wickham Lane."

First year sixth former Daniela Emechebe, 16, from Woolwich has joined Plumstead Manor from The John Roan School. She said: "There are lots of opportunities here. I like it, and I can do all the A-level subjects I want to – financial studies, law, media and Italian."

The centre is the final piece in the jigsaw of a huge project to modernise the 100-year-old secondary school for girls in Old Mill Road. The old buildings, mostly dating back to the 1960s, have been brought up to 21st century standards.

The Ancona, Millennium and Old Mill blocks have been refurbished, and external landscaping has been done to form an open-air amphitheatre in the school's heart.

There is also a sports hall, and a performance area called 'The Space' in the Jo Harding Centre, named after a fondly-remembered headteacher. There is also a new entrance and reception in Old Mill Road, joining the new and existing buildings.

The project was one of the last to benefit from the former Building Schools for the Future programme. Headteacher Sue Flanagan hailed the results as "simply fantastic".

She said: "We are really proud of what we have here. We are happy and delighted to have the sixth form back on site. They are fantastic role models for the younger girls in the school."

"We have worked very hard to raise standards. We encourage mutual respect, hard work and an atmosphere which reflects our school motto 'Success and Harmony'. We aim high and develop high aspirations by offering a challenging personalised curriculum, broad and balanced, enhanced by a wealth of enrichment activities."

"Most of our young women continue their studies with us at sixth form, achieving excellent qualifications supporting their progression into higher education and employment."

Mrs Flanagan added that partnerships with parents and carers were valued and regular academic reviews held with them and teachers.

The school is organising a series of Saturday open events to show what it has to offer.

NEW SURROUNDINGS:
Sixth formers get to know each other in the new Plumstead Manor facility, pictured inset, left



SEAL OF APPROVAL:
Sixth formers Laura Grineerga, Chun Mak and Harvinder Dhesi



Pupils excited as the new Jo

AN historic landmark has been reached with the major rebuilding of The John Roan School on Maze Hill.

A ceremony to lay the foundation stone at the Westcombe Park site took place earlier this month.

The stone itself mirrors the original foundation stone in the 1928 building, and both give the names of the current headteacher, the chair of governors, the builders, and the chair of The John Roan Foundation.

John Roan was one of the last schools in the country to secure funding from the Building Schools for the Future programme. Work started in July 2012.

Staff and pupils will be moving back into the refurbished Maze Hill listed

building next summer and into the stunning new state-of-the-art building on the Westcombe Park site next September.

Years 7, 8 and the sixth form will be based in Maze Hill so that every Year 7 student can have a sixth form mentor. Years 9, 10 and 11 will be based at the Westcombe Park site.

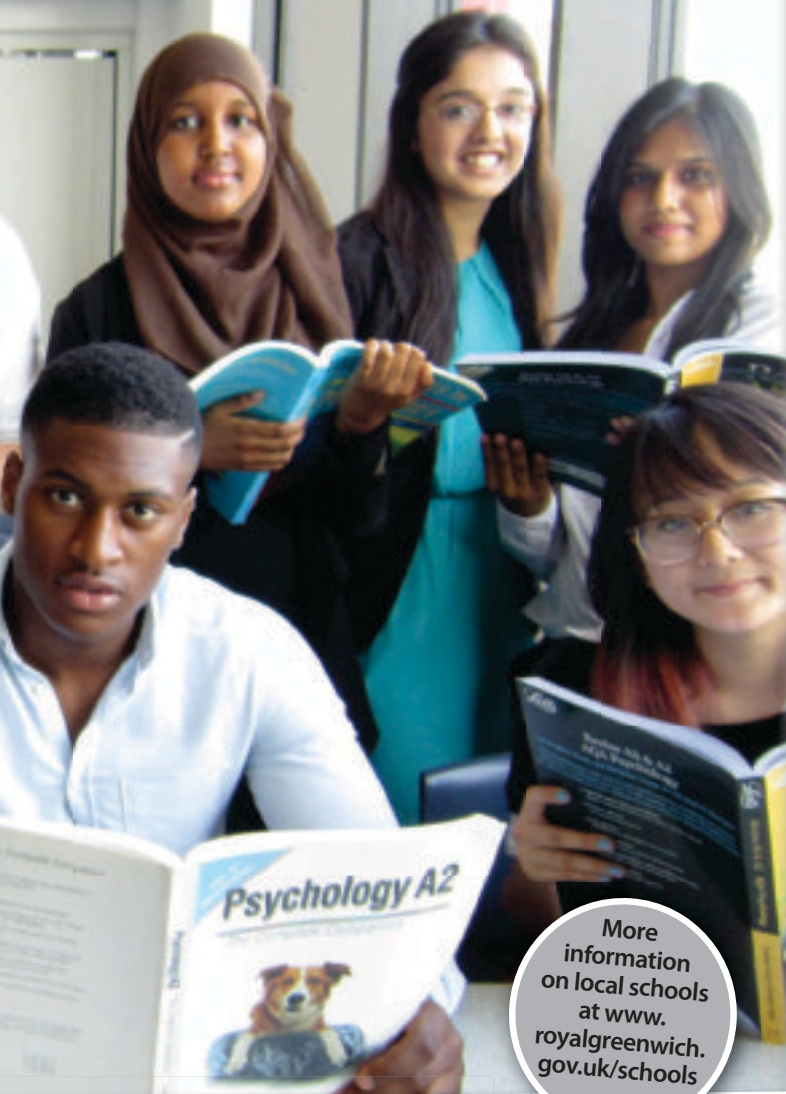
Headteacher Des Malone said: "Works at both Maze Hill and Westcombe Park are on schedule."

"I have toured both building sites and the alterations to the 1928 building at Maze Hill are stunning."

"I really didn't believe that a refurbishment could transform a building so dramatically."

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International era begins at Eltham

AN exciting new era has just begun for Eltham Hill School for girls.

The term began with the opening of its co-educational post-16 unit, in a new building with advanced technology and communication facilities that can connect the school with local, regional and global communities.

Eltham Hill is also the first school in the borough to offer the prestigious International Baccalaureate (IB) diploma programme to sixth formers.

This prepares students aged 16 to 19 for success at university and beyond. It has been designed to promote their intellectual, social, emotional and physical well-being. The programme has gained recognition and respect from the world's leading universities.

Eltham Hill is one of five secondary schools to be rebuilt or substantially refurbished through the royal borough's Building Schools for the Future programme.

Headteacher Madeleine Griffin said: "The IB is central to our post 16 offer, alongside a range of A-levels and vocational courses."

"The outstanding facilities offered by our new buildings, ensure that we will continue to provide an innovative and creative approach to learning for the 21st century."

"Our post-16 unit is already oversubscribed and we have been inundated for information about enrolling for 2014."

"We have students from around the world coming to Eltham Hill post-16 studying the International Baccalaureate, and I have the pleasure of working with highly-motivated, creative and enthusiastic staff who work closely together to inspire and engage our students."

"The sense of pride staff and students have in the school is tangible. These are indeed exciting times."

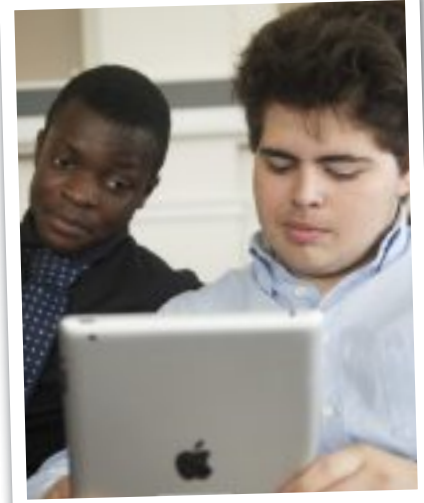
Students at the 107-year-old school have given the post-16 unit a big thumbs-up.

Adalina Gjonj said: "From the first few seconds of entering the school, I was in awe at the very modern and brand new facilities."

"I received a very warm welcome from the other students and became friends with everyone on my first day."

"I am very excited to be taking biology, chemistry, geography and psychology A-levels at Eltham Hill."

Katie Davies said: "As well as having brand new facilities in the new buildings, students have access to an independent study room



IMPRESSED: Andrew Adekoya and Lucas Ferreira have settled in quickly to the new facilities, pictured inset

that I am already spending a lot of time in. We also have a post-16 common room."

Andrew Adekoya said: "Out of all the sixth forms I have seen and visited, Eltham Hill is best to study at. The facilities are incredible. We have access to so many rooms which are

all equipped with the latest Apple Mac technology. I have only been here a week and feel so settled and excited."

And Janani Arudselanathan said: "The courses that are being offered at Eltham Hill are very varied and they most definitely will appeal to all students."

The school site, which was once in the grounds of Eltham Palace, includes a Grade II listed Queen Anne

wall and pavilion. The original school gates are also listed. The new design integrates these into the pedestrian entrance, creating a new garden known as the Van Dyke Garden.

Cllr Jackie Smith, the borough's cabinet member for children's services, said: "Eltham Hill's authorisation to be able to offer the International Baccalaureate is an important first for Greenwich. I wish them all the very best in making a success of this new challenge."



John Roan takes shape

"Wates, and the architects John McAslan and Partners, have done an incredible job in retaining period features while bringing the learning environment into the 21st century."

"Westcombe Park is still at a skeletal stage and you can get a flavour of the size of the sports hall and the staircase rising three floors from reception. There is no doubt that this is going to be an inspiring place in which to study."

Students can't wait for their new space. Royann Whyte from class 7JK said: "During our time in the school we have heard a lot about the new buildings and are genuinely excited."

"I feel they will benefit our learning atmosphere and give us a new start

from these temporary buildings."

Michael Dinh from 7PJ said: "The new building is coming on real quick. I am looking forward to the new sports hall, which will be a pleasure to use."

Cara Dawson Jones, from 7CR, said: "I think the building looks great and I am really excited to see the new classes and uniform."

NEW BEGINNINGS: The foundation stone-laying ceremony by headteacher Des Malone, Wates project director Howard Sissons, chair of governors Patrick Cooper and the chair of The John Roan Foundation Linda Nelson.





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conflict and was created by UK choreographer

Robert Clark, who is also a resident artist at
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Kat Bridge, Interim Artistic Director,
Greenwich Dance said: "We are delighted
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our partners across Eastern Europe and
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The show begins at 7:45pm and tickets are
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Just Beer-illiant

SCENE

GREENWICH Gallery, normally associated with photographic displays, broke a 10-year tradition to host Nilla Beer's Modern Mythmaker exhibition, her latest, exciting work. Drawing upon legends such as the Satyr & Minotaur, Nilla brings these myths into the modern world combining the human figure with animals that today we hold dear to our hearts as pets.

The opening was officiated by Royal Borough of Greenwich Mayor Angela Cornforth, a long time fan of Nilla's, commenting that "for too long fantastic artistic talent has laid hidden in the cellars of the Royal Borough of Greenwich and it's our responsibility to bring it into the light". The Mayor was also deeply disappointed upon finding that the two paintings that she favoured most were already sold, not bad for the exhibition's first day.

Using her method of 'Human Clay' Nilla literally sculpts the paint onto the canvas, shaping and texturing the contours of her subject and breathing life into a static display that seems to draw the viewer in and never let them go.

The exhibition is on until Sunday September 29 and is a must for those who favour local talent. Nilla lectures at the University of Greenwich, and takes delight in being humoured, even sometimes a little disturbed, by this feast for the eye.

*Greenwich Gallery, Linear House,
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open Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm
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**'HUMAN CLAY': Nilla's
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**Local artist Nilla Beer brings
her latest work to the
Greenwich Gallery...**



JACK DEE: The Bromley-born comedian headlined

Jack Dee-lights

A LAUGH out loud night of stand up featuring some of televisions best-known faces on the comedy circuit, featured at Up The Creek, Greenwich for a Charity Special show.

It was a sell out night at The Creek, and for just a fiver you can understand why. The intimate show featured the likes of Jack Dee (Lead Balloon, Shooting Stars) and Jack Whitehall (Fresh Meat, Bad Education).

Stealing the show though was local lad, Rob Beckett. The south east London-born comedian had the audience roaring with laughter at his gags about his colourful upbringing as part of a big family. Combined with his high-tempo, charismatic style, Rob showed why critics were identifying him as one of the best new talents on the circuit.

Josh Widdicombe (Stand Up For The Week, 8 Out Of 10 Cats) opened the show with his brand of hilarious observational comedy. Fellow blonde-haired comedian, Sean Walsh took the stage after Widdicombe in what was a loud and in-your-face set that was met with real applause from the younger audience.

Romesh Ranganathan then took the mic for what was a humorous cynical look at family life. Jack Whitehall was tasked with closing the first half of the seven-act show before the interval and did so in style. His trademark energetic and charismatic comedy has seen him quickly become one of the country's most successful young comedians.

Beckett warmed up the stage after the break for headline acts Jack Dee and Terry Alderton. Bromley-born comedian, Jack did what he does best and had the audience hanging on his every word awaiting the excellently executed punch-lines to his grumpy story-telling.

Closing the show, and a million miles away on the comedy spectrum to the brand of Jack Dee, was Terry Alderton. Terry's performance was an eccentric, adrenaline-fuelled spectacle. The comedian and television presenter from Essex, utilised music and the front row of spectators in his physical performance.

The show was endlessly funny and a big success for the venue on Creek Road, Greenwich, which hosted the event to raise money for the Ian Makardo High School in Bromley.

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Simon Banks

For more information and bookings
visit www.up-the-creek.com

Photo history of the heath

THE BLACKHEATH Society will be celebrating a grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund with a special exhibition on the story of the heath.

It'll be held in the last week of the month in Blackheath Halls entitled the Story of the Heath.

The exhibits, drawn from the society's extensive photographic archive, will cover different themes involving the heath over the ages.

A time line, ending with the 21st century, will run round the displays bringing some of the

historical events on the heath to life.

Local schools have been involved in the project and juniors at Blackheath High, John Ball and St Margaret's primary schools have carried out their own research projects with some of their material featured in the exhibition.

It was due to start yesterday (Monday September 23) with a preview for teachers from the schools. Then the public can visit from today until the exhibition closes at 5pm on Sunday September 29. Entry is free.

Last November the society won a £7,900 grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund to develop a new digital archive called The Story of the Heath. A team of volunteers has been digitising 1,500 images of the heath from its total archive of 15,000 images and maps.

The exhibition is just one way of making the photographs accessible to the public and a dedicated archive website is also being

launched so people can browse all the images of the heath.

Also planned for the autumn is a new guide about heath walks called Walking the Heath – an introduction to its history compiled by local historian Neil Rhind and society committee member Roger Marshall.

The 86-page fully illustrated publication covers more than 1,000 years of recorded history of the heath.

Society member John Bartram said: "We hope to create mobile exhibitions of the images of the heath to be shown in local schools and churches and at the library in the newly re-opened Age Exchange centre in the village. Winning the heritage grant brought the society's 75th anniversary year to a fitting end."

For more information on the event
visit www.blackheath.org
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The public health team have hired Greenwich Primary Care Collaborative CIC (GPCC) to contact and book patients into scheduled Health Check appointments. In order to do this we will need to share your name, address and phone number (both landline and mobile phone) with GPCC.

This information will be held in strict confidence by GPCC and only be used to assist us through contacting you by phone or letter on our behalf to suggest that you are booked into the NHS Health Check programme described above.

If you do not want us to share this information with GPCC, please write to the public health team at The Woolwich Centre, 2nd floor, 35 Wellington Street, London SE18 6HQ, referring to the NHS Health Check programme and ask to opt out of your data being shared with GPCC. If you opt out, this will mean we are unable to contact you about the NHS Health Check programme and you will not gain the benefits of the service as outlined in this notice.

Eligible patients will be called from the following practices:

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ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 SECTION 122 PROPOSED APPROPRIATION OF OPEN SPACE

Land adjoining De Lucy Primary School SE2 9PD

Notice is hereby given that the Royal Borough of Greenwich intends to appropriate for educational purposes two areas of land held within its Housing Revenue Account and by Parks & Open Spaces which are currently open mainly grassed areas, comprising 972 and 1,542 square metres respectively, adjoining De Lucy Primary School, Cookhill Road, Abbey Wood, SE2 9PD and that can be accessed from Panfield Road and Peterstone Road, Abbey Wood.

The appropriation is necessary to allow the land to be added to the School premises within an expanded boundary. The School is being increased from 2 to 3 forms of entry plus a nursery to meet the local need for school places. This area is to be used after incorporation within the School site as a play area and will be of educational value for the benefit of the School's pupils. It is also proposed that there will be some shared use with the community of the Parks and Open Spaces portion of the land.

A plan showing the land affected by the proposal may be inspected during normal office hours at the Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise and Skills, 5th Floor Woolwich Centre, Wellington Street, Woolwich, SE18 6HQ. A copy of the plan is also available by e-mail. Please contact Alexandra Freemantle on 020 8921 5392 or email alexandra.freemantle@royalgreenwich.gov.uk.

Any objection to the intended appropriation must be made in writing and should be sent to Russell Power, Head of Law and Governance, 4th Floor Woolwich Centre 35 Wellington Street Woolwich, SE18 6HQ before 5.30pm on 15 October 2013.

Dated the 24 September 2013.

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Royal Borough of Greenwich's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

Edition 358

BIDDING FOR PROPERTIES

People on the Housing register are able to bid for all properties, regardless of their banding. You must be eligible for the size of property and bids will be considered in the following order:

First Band A, followed by Band B both in priority date order.
Those in Band C will then be considered in registration date order.

Please note that there will still be some properties with age restrictions so only people of this age group can apply for these.

BAND

- A** is for applicants in unsatisfactory housing, including people moving due to demolition and those underoccupying their homes.
- B** is for applicants the Royal Borough of Greenwich must prioritise according to the law, particularly homeless people, and others with an urgent need to move for medical or welfare reasons.
- C** is for all applicants on the housing register, including those that are in priority bands A and B.

How do I apply?

1

Get on the list

First, you've got to be on the housing waiting list to join the scheme. If you're not, register an application on line at www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk

2

Find your applicant number

It will be on the letter you've already had from the Royal Borough of Greenwich about the new scheme. You'll need that number and the reference number of the property you're after, which will be on the advert.

3

Pick out your ideal property

by looking in *Greenwich Time* or regularly checking the website:

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Click on your preference on the website. If you don't have a computer, you can always use one for free at either The Eltham or Woolwich Centre or a local library.

4

Apply in one of three ways

- Text bidding is now available and the number to use is 07786207913. For further information please see page 2, or
- Phone the 24-hour hotline 020 8921 4340. It's an automatic push-button system and calls will be charged at the normal local rate, or
- Via the Royal Borough of Greenwich's website www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes

The next edition of GreenwichHomes will be available on **Wednesday 2 October 2013 at midday** and will include any Housing Association properties when available. Closing date for all applications for this issue is midnight on **Sunday 29 September 2013**.

24-hour hotline

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If you are bidding for houses under Band C you must have 1 child under 16 years



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Clothier Hse
Kinveachy Gdns SE7
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CBL, the property reference number and your applicant number.

The property reference will be on the advert and your applicant number is on the letter we sent to you when you registered for housing.

A successful bid will look like this:

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Ref Number: 181379
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Ref Number: 181380
Dahlia Rd SE2
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Choice hotline 020 8921 4340

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Ref Number: 181384
Marine Dr SE18
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Rad C/H
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Ref Number: 181385
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For more information contact the Project Team on:

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Next Edition 359 available on Wednesday 2 October 2013

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If you are a Housing Association tenant you need to contact your landlord to register. Further information is available from the scheme management organisation at www.housingmoves.org

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Unlifted Entry phn
Rad C/H Over 40s
No Pets
£127.38 pw



Affordable Housing
Ref Number: 81808
Mill Crt Titmuss Av SE28
2 Bed 5th Flr Flat
Lifted Entry phn
Rad C/H No pets
£132.92 pw

Choice hotline 020 8921 4340

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Royal Borough of Greenwich's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

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The housingmoves scheme is run by the Greater London Authority and is aimed at social housing tenants who want to move from one part of London to another.

Priority is given to people who:

- have more bedrooms than they currently need
- want to move to be closer to employment or higher education
- need to provide care for family members or friends.

Tenants must have a clear rent account and no on-going record of anti-social behaviour.

Royal borough tenants can register on the scheme and bid for council or housing association property in other parts of London. To register your interest please visit: **www.housingmoves.org**

This is what happened to the homes advertised in issue 355

Address	Bed-rooms	Property Type	No of Bids	Reg date of successful app	Band
Froissart Road SE9 6QQ	5	PARLOUR HSE	363	29/02/2012	B
Ealldham Square SE9 6BP	5	HOUSE	353	08/05/2000	A
Briset Road SE9 6JY	3	PARLOUR HSE	751	26/04/2012	B
Invermore Place SE18 7DE	2	HOUSE	732	26/04/2013	A
Ospringle Court Alderwood Road SE9 2LD	2	FLAT	374	11/02/2013	B
Reeves Road SE18 3QW	1	FLAT	472	14/12/2007	B
Hickin Close SE7 8SH	4	HOUSE	454	15/06/2011	B
Ellison House Lewisham Road SE13 7NB	1	FLAT	462	10/12/2009	C
Dabin Crescent SE10 8TF	0	FLAT	305	17/05/2010	C
Durham Rise SE18 7TD	2	HOUSE		withdrawn	
Penfold House Wrotesley Road SE18 3RB	1	FLAT	465	28/04/2010	C
Barque Mews SE8 3HG	3	HOUSE	500	22/04/2012	B
Alwold Crescent SE12 9AF	3	HOUSE	491	21/08/2012	B
Thornham Street SE10 9SD	3	MAISONETTE	302	21/11/2012	B
Squires House Barnfield Road SE18 3UQ	3	FLAT	231	28/10/2009	C
Woolwich Church Street SE18 5ND	2	FLAT	417	16/02/1988	A
Delany House Thames Street SE10 9DQ	2	FLAT	365	08/03/2013	B
Gavin House Plumstead High Street SE18 1SP	1	FLAT	498	08/07/2009	C
Godfrey Road SE18 5HD	2	MAISONETTE	311	29/04/2013	B
Russet Way SE13 7LZ	3	MAISONETTE		withdrawn	
Edington Road SE2 9JX	3	MAISONETTE	279	02/02/2006	C
Egremont House Russet Way SE13 7NE	2	FLAT	241	03/07/2013	B
Langbrook Road SE3 8RD	3	PARLOUR HSE	770	18/08/2011	B
Nightingale Vale SE18 4HN	3	MAISONETTE	228	26/06/2009	C
Bedgebury Road SE9 6AQ	3	HOUSE		withdrawn	
Plumstead High Street SE18 1SE	1	FLAT	456	25/03/2013	A
Dianthus Close SE2 0UX	2	FLAT	225	22/09/1998	C
Icough Court Hassendean Road SE3 8UD	1	FLAT	670	20/03/1968	A
Dianthus Close SE2 0UX	1	FLAT	390	14/09/2012	B
Acworth House Barnfield Road SE18 3TW	2	FLAT	272	26/02/2013	B
Ricardo Path SE28 8AQ	3	FLAT	265	22/02/2012	B
Besant Court Titmuss Avenue SE28 8BL	1	FLAT	280	25/05/2013	B

For information or assistance

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Anyone who wishes to comment on these applications should be made in writing to Development Planning within 21 days of the date of this notice.

Please quote the appropriate reference number.

Date: 24/09/2013

Mike Howe - Chief Planning Officer

Publicity For Planning Applications

Applicant: Mr Erdal Fahri Belmont Dry Cleaners **13/1912/F**
2 GUNNERY TERRACE, WOOLWICH, LONDON, SE18 6SW

Development: Installation of new glazing to front elevation
Library: Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, Woolwich, SE18 6QT
Conservation Area: ROYAL ARSENAL WOODWICH

Applicant: Mr Paul Thomas Phillips Thomas Ltd **13/2076/F**
34 GREENWICH HIGH ROAD, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 8LS

Development: Conversion of basement and ground floor vacant commercial premises to residential units (1x1-bed, 1x2-bed) including formation of lightwell.
Library: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8BN
Conservation Area: ASHBURNHAM TRIANGLE

Applicant: Ms Whitter & Chapman **13/2098/F**
27 KINLET ROAD, PLUMSTEAD, LONDON, SE18 3BZ

Development: Erection of single storey rear extension, new front roof to garage, new garage doors and raised patio.
Library: Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, Woolwich, SE18 6QT
Conservation Area: SHREWSBURY PARK ESTATE

Applicant: Ms Downing **13/2099/F**
MEWS COTTAGE, 37A BLACKHEATH ROAD, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 8PE

Development: Conversion of garage into habitable room.
Library: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8BN
Conservation Area: ASHBURNHAM TRIANGLE

Applicant: Mrs Anne Hughes **13/2129/F**
17 PRIORY PARK, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 9UY

Development: Construction of a single storey rear extension, alterations to the main roof profile, installation of rooflights, windows and doors, Juliet balcony, new terrace to all elevations including timber cladding and formation of terrace with steps to rear garden.
Library: Eltham Library, 2 Anchery Road SE9 1HA
Conservation Area: BLACKHEATH PARK

Applicant: Mr Everton Mullings **13/2130/F**
128 PLUMSTEAD COMMON ROAD, PLUMSTEAD, LONDON, SE18 2UL

Development: Change of use from Shop (A1) to a Coffee shop/Take away (A5).
Library: Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, Woolwich, SE18 6QT
Conservation Area: adjacent to Plumstead Common

Applicant: Mr Michael Foster **13/2131/F**
37 ASHBURNHAM PLACE, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 8TZ

Development: Retention of painted render on front boundary walls.
Library: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8BN
Conservation Area: ASHBURNHAM TRIANGLE

Applicant: Mr Kingsley-Brooks **13/2135/F**
65 ASHBURNHAM PLACE, GREENWICH, SE10 8UG

Development: Construction of a single storey rear wall extension.
Library: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8BN
Conservation Area: ASHBURNHAM TRIANGLE

Applicant: Mr Boobyer The Brunton Boobyer Partnership Ltd **13/2165/F**
BRUNTON BOOBYER PARTNERSHIP, 201 GREENWICH HIGH ROAD, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 8NB

Development: Installation of new rooflight and roofing tiles.
Library: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8BN
Conservation Area: WEST GREENWICH

Applicant: Dr Kasinathan **13/2174/F**
7A LEWISHAM ROAD, LEWISHAM, LONDON, SE13 7QS

Development: Change of use of first floor from D1 back to residential (C3) 2-bed self-contained flat.
Library: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8BN
Conservation Area: ASHBURNHAM TRIANGLE

Applicant: Mrs Shadab Patel **13/2175/F**
LAND REAR OF 18 - 20 VICARAGE PARK, PLUMSTEAD

Development: Erection of three new detached single storey garages.
Library: Plumstead Library, Plumstead High Street SE18 1JL
Conservation Area: adjacent to Plumstead Common

Applicant: Miss Anna Shepherd **13/2282/F**
218 WELL HALL ROAD, ELTHAM, LONDON, SE9 6ST

Development: Replacement of existing front door with new front door.
Library: Eltham Library, 2 Anchery Road SE9 1HA
Conservation Area: PROGRESS ESTATE

Publicity for Listed Building Consent

Applicant: Mr Boobyer The Brunton Boobyer Partnership Ltd **13/2120/L**
BRUNTON BOOBYER PARTNERSHIP, 201 GREENWICH HIGH ROAD, GREENWICH, SE10

Development: Installation of new rooflight and roofing tiles.
Library: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8BN
Conservation Area: WEST GREENWICH
Listed Building: Grade 2

Publicity for Conservation Area Consent

Applicant: University of Greenwich **13/2183/C**
4 NEVADA STREET, GREENWICH, SE10 9JL

Development: Demolition of side and part rear boundary wall of No 4 Nevada Street.
Library: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8BN
Conservation Area: WEST GREENWICH

Publicity For Advertisements

Applicant: Ms Celia Tobin Lower Road Signs Ltd **13/2097/A**
BRITISH OAK, 109 OLD DOVER ROAD, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 8SU

Development: Installation of new fascia signs and increase in height of fascia.
Library: East Greenwich Library, Wickhams Road, London, SE18 0PL
Conservation Area: RECTORY FIELD



PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following is a list of planning applications in the London Borough of Newham advertised under Article 13 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2010 (as amended) and in accordance with all other relevant statutory requirements arising pursuant to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) and the Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 and the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2011. These applications can be viewed or on line at <http://www.newham.gov.uk> where you will also be able to view the plans and other documents relating to this application as well as send us your views.

Other Major Apps;

London City Airport submitted two inter-related planning applications to the London Borough of Newham on 26 July 2013, to deliver the 'City Airport Development Programme' (CADP), these applications are referred to as CADP1 (planning application 13/01228/FUL) and CADP2 (planning application 13/01373/OUT)

London City Airport, Hartmann Road, Silvertown, London, E16 2PX

Planning Application CADP1: Works to demolish existing buildings and structures and provide additional infrastructure and passenger facilities at London City Airport without changes to the number of permitted flights or opening hours previously permitted pursuant to planning permission 07/01510/VAR. Detailed planning permission is being sought for:

- Demolition of existing buildings and structures;
- 4 no. upgraded aircraft stands and 7 new aircraft parking stands;
- Extension and modification of the existing airfield, including the creation of an extended taxiway;
- Emergency vehicle access point over King George V Dock;
- Replacement landside Forecourt to include vehicle circulation, pick up and drop off areas and hard and soft landscaping;
- Eastern Extension to the existing Terminal Building (including alteration works to the existing Terminal);
- Construction of a 3 storey passenger pier to the east of the existing Terminal;
- Erection of Noise Barriers;
- Western Extension and alterations to the existing Terminal;
- Western Energy Centre, storage, ancillary accommodation and landscaping;
- Facilitation Works including temporary coaching facility and extension to the outbound baggage area;
- Upgrading works to Hartmann Road;
- Passenger and staff parking, car hire parking, taxi feeder park and ancillary and related work;
- Eastern Energy Centre;
- Dock Source Heat Exchange System within King George V Dock; and
- Ancillary and related work.

This application is accompanied by an Environmental Statement. This application does not accord with the provisions of the development plan.

OFFICER: Sunil Sahadevan

Ref: 13/01228/FUL

London City Airport, Hartmann Road, Silvertown, London, E16 2PX

Planning Application CADP2: Erection of a Hotel with up to 260 bedrooms, ancillary flexible A1-A4 floorspace at ground floor, meeting/conference facilities together with associated amenity space, landscaping, plant and ancillary works. This application is accompanied by an Environmental Statement.

OFFICER: Sunil Sahadevan

Ref: 13/01373/OUT

Members of the public may inspect copies of the Environmental Statement and all other application documents by prior appointment only at Newham Dockside, 1000 Dockside Road, London, E16 2QU (contact: sunil.sahadevan@newham.gov.uk / tel: 020 3373 1423). Members of the public may obtain hard copies of the Environmental Statement at a cost of £300 for each volume (excl postage and packaging), or a CD Rom version at a cost of £5 (incl postage and packaging) from RPS Planning and Development (tel: 020 7280 3200).

The reference number next to each application should be quoted with any enquiries. A copy of the application, plans and other documents submitted relating to this application can be viewed on line, at <http://www.newham.gov.uk/planning>

Any person wishing to make representations relating to the application should do so online at <http://www.newham.gov.uk/planning> or in writing within 21 days beginning with the date of publication of this notice to the Officer as indicated above to the London Borough of Newham, Development Control, First Floor West Wing, Newham Dockside, 1000 Dockside Road, London, E16 2QU.



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Day of sport for disabled adults

HELPING people with disabilities find their way into communities using sport is the aim of a health and wellbeing project being launched on Thursday (September 26).

A day of activities is being run by the South London Special League from 10.30am to 4pm at the London Marathon Playing Fields, Shooters Hill Road, Greenwich.

Football, tag rugby and tennis coaching - across the road at Hornfair Park and provided by Greenwich City Tennis Club - is being put on for over 16s, particularly adults.

Steve Johnston, of the SLSL team, said: "The project is more than just about the sporting activities, but they are the core activities giving people the chance to meet others."

"It's about integrating them into the community after leaving school, when they are then out of a structured network. Doing a sport might lead to them saying they want to do some other sort of activity and we're trying to help raise their confidence and self-esteem."

Powerchair football will be demonstrated later in the day at the Waterfront Leisure Centre, from 4pm-6.30pm.

● For full details, contact the South London Special League office on 020 8319 8111.

Karate 'improves pupils' work and behaviour'

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TAKING SHAPE: Youngsters learn their moves

Crown Woods we've had half a dozen people and several more enquiries now we've started up again," added Sean.

"We're trying to encourage some of the old students back again and hope they gradually return."

The venue may well help, having been the first school in Greenwich to have its facilities enhanced by Building Schools for the Future (BSF) funding.

The school was also part of a major programme of investment to improve sporting facilities for the community as part of the borough's legacy commitments.

It has a sports hall with audience seating and can offer Olympic standard basketball and volleyball facilities.

"It looks like a great facility and it's also an area where we can try to get involved in the local community," said Sean.

"We've had students with learning difficulties like dyslexia and we've had parents and teachers say that their work and behaviour has improved dramatically as a result of their involvement in our group."

Karate groups follow the teachings of different masters.

The Kent club teaches Okinawan GoJu Ryu Karate, based on a version of the martial art which has been running since 1883. The GoJu form has been around in Britain for 40 years.

Teachings concentrate on self-improvement and while there is "light sparring" the emphasis is not so much on combat as control.

Sean explained: "We work more on movement. A lot of people get the perception of martial arts as being aggressive, but what we try to do is more about improving co-ordination and concentration levels."

People, he says, become physically fit and more relaxed via the exercise regime.

Cllr Peter Kotz, cabinet member for culture and creative industries, said: "As an Olympic host borough, we were determined to capture the Games' message of providing a legacy, not just for the best athletes but for anyone in the community."

"We are therefore delighted that Kent Karate Academy has chosen to use the community facilities at Crown Woods to restart the club and we look forward to hearing about their successes as they try to benefit the people it instructs and make itself an integral part of the area."

The first session at the club is free, once people have signed up via the national website.

● For more information on the club email KentKarateAcademy@gmail.com contact Sean Hammond on 07900 244791 or visit www.kent-karate-academy.co.uk



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A fresh kick-start!

Reformed karate club now based at Crown Woods
by Ian Lamont

A KARATE club that closed for six months, after an instructor's illness, has reopened at one of the council's facilities set up with legacy funding.

The Kent Karate Academy has reopened at Crown Woods College, Eltham, which got enhanced sports facilities for the community as part of the borough's Olympic legacy investment programme.

Sensei Sean Hammond, one of the leaders of the club, now hopes that former members will return swiftly and also believes the club can make an impact in the community.

"We used to have about 30 adults come to the club and about 20 for the children's sessions," he said of the group which used to meet in the north Greenwich Community Centre before folding.

"In our first couple of sessions at

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